

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TABOLINA et al.

Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 10/073,293

Examiner: GANGLE, Brian J.

Filing Date: February 13, 2002

Atty. Docket: US-1450

Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-AMINO  
ACID USING BACTERIA BELONGING TO  
THE GENUS ESCHERICHIA

Confirmation No.: 3493

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. The following are submitted:

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
  - i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - ii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
  - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
  - iv. ☐ Other

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Periods of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required).
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees – The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ Direct payment through EFS-RAM.


b. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.

- i. ☐ The RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other

- c. ☐ Check in the amount of \$                      enclosed
- d. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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